

FEED BACK:

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I attended the recent Delta Stewardship Council workgroup meetings in Chico, California

At the close of the January 25, 2011 meeting I spoke with the councilman that commented on the issues that were brought to the attention of the council. He informed me that the problem with many of us that we did not want change.

I and others attendees came to the conclusion that this Council was mandated to listen to us and had already made up their minds due to the numerous studies and they were on a mission to take whatever legal means to divert water from the Northern State to the Delta area. Many local community members were well informed on their water rights and how devastated our area would be if our ground water was diverted to save the Delta or increase the water to preserve the marsh land in the Delta.

Our area needs water for our agriculture ...the largest income in Butte County. The aquifer is a mystery to all who have studied it. Our local well drillers are aware of the decline of water due to draught and usage in the areas they service. They are united in stating do not let the State increase the amount of water shipped South of Sacramento or we will become a desert as other parts of our State all due to poor government management..

Please listen to the locals that farm and have for generations. Remember the Delta was all salt water to begin with. Due to poor decisions in the year past is why we are in the mess were in.

Do not make more mistakes because of a proposed fix to our past and permanently damage the Northern California agriculture industry. We have already regulated and devastated our lumber, dairies and cattle industry.

STATED ON THE FRONT COVER OF DELTA STEWARDSHIP HANDOUT.....

**MOVING FORWARD TO ADOPT A LEGALLY ENFORCEABLE DELTA PLAN
NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THE COEGUAL GOALS...**

defined: this shall be achieve in a manner that protects and enhances the unique culture, recreation, natural resource and agricultural values of the DELTA.

**WHAT ABOUT THE CULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCE AND AGRICULTUAL VALUES
OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY?**

Respectfully,

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My Concerns:

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- Take away water- rights replace with contracts. Do we know logistics of that stretch, pull and shove to break the contract?
- Take over water shed, streams, springs, rivers and ground waters (Aquifer) Run water to excess down and out to sea in the premise to save the fish. delta smelt, stripped bass, salmon and steelhead until they are found to be non- native species. Then switch to another.
- Letting excess cold water down through the /Delta having serious effect on the entire Delta eco-system, grasses, fish, animals etc with no regard.
- And you would add 3/4 more water transfer with no regard to upstream vegetation, animals, fish agricultural crops or people's livelihood.
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Example:

Cold water will not allow algae to grow that the Delta smelt eat causing their demise.

Is this being done:

- Just to prevent Oroville Lake from becoming usable to recreation as was promised by Department of Water Resource when built.... maybe?

While you consider the information gathered, please look at the aquifers, damaged from over development in agriculture and domestic use in the Delta area and South..

Build your desalination units that are quite adequate and economic.

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